GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

PUBLIC SERVANTS - Housing Department - Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited - Allegation of acquisition of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income against Sri Badri Tarachand (now retired), formerly Executive Engineer, Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited, Kakinada Division, East Godavari District - Prosecution Case pending before the ACB Court - Departmental action initiated for violation of the A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964 - Regular Inquiry conducted - Inquiry Report received - Charge held proved - Imposition of penalty - Orders - Issued.

HOUSING (VC.A1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.39 **Dated:05.07.2023.**

Read the following:-

1) From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Letter No.267/RCA-REG/2010, dated 23.02.2011.
2) Government Letter No.1572/VC/A1/2011-4, dated 31.12.2014.
3) From the Inquiring Authority, Inquiry Officer Report, dated 10.11.2020.
4) From the Managing Director, APSHCL letter No.13686/ACB/EG/2010 (C.No.1887172), dated 25.12.2022.

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O R D E R:-

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh that on credible information, Sri Badri Tarachand, former Executive Engineer (now retired), Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited, Kakinada Division, East Godavari District has acquired assets disproportionate to his known sources of income by indulging in corrupt practices, the Bureau authorities have registered a case in Cr.No. 19/RCA-RJY/2010 u/s 13(2) r/w 13(1) (e) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against the Accused Officer on 28.12.2010 and investigated into the matter. In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad has submitted the Final Report recommending to prosecute the Accused Officer, i.e, Sri Badri Tarachand, Executive Engineer (now retired), Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited, formerly at Kakinada Division, East Godavari District in the Court of Law Under Section 13(2) read with 13(1) (e) of P.C. Act, 1988 and also to initiate departmental action for violation of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2) And whereas, the Government after a detailed examination of the Final Report, have accepted the recommendations made therein by the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh; and vide reference 2nd read above have requested the Managing Director, APSHCL to issue Sanction Order to the Anti-Corruption Bureau to prosecute the Accused Officer in a Court of Law and also to initiate Departmental action against him for violation of the A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964. In respect of "Criminal Case", the Managing Director, APSHCL vide his Proceedings dated 20.04.2015 / 13.09.2015 has issued Prosecution Sanction Order to the Bureau. In turn, the Bureau has filed Charge Sheet against the Accused Officer, Sri Badri Tarachand in the Court of the Hon'ble Special Judge for SPE and ACB Cases, Vijayawada on 03.06.2016 and the Case is pending for trail.

3) And whereas, with regard to Departmental action for violation of the A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964; the Managing Director, APSHCL has initiated Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against the Accused Officer, Sri Badri Tarachand and has issued Articles of Charge on him. An Inquiry Officer was appointed to inquire into the Charges framed against the Charged Officer and to submit his report. After conducting a detailed inquiry by following due procedure as prescribed under Rules in force, the Inquiry Officer has submitted his Report in the reference 3rd read above, holding the Charge framed against the Charged Officer as proved in the inquiry.

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4) And whereas, in the reference 4th read above, the Managing Director, APSHCL has communicated a copy of the Inquiry Report to the Charged Officer, Sri Badri Tarachand under Rule 21 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 calling for his explanation, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer. The Charged Officer has submitted his Written Explanation requesting to drop further action against him. The Managing Director, APSHCL has furnished the provisional decision to impose a penalty of withholding of amount equivalent to "Stoppage of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect" from his terminal benefits of the Charged Officer as per the findings of the Inquiry Officer and also requested to issue necessary instructions for finalizing the disciplinary proceedings against the Charged Officer.

5) Government, after careful examination of the entire matter, hereby order the Managing Director, APSHCL, Autongar, Vijayawada to withhold an amount equivalent to the penalty of 'withholding of one Annual Grade Increment of pay without cumulative effect from the retirement benefits of the Charged Officer, Sri Badri Tarachand, former Executive Engineer, APSHCL, Kakinada Division, East Godavari District (now retired) under Rule 9 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 for the proven Charge of violation of A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964, since the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 are not applicable to the A.P. State Housing Corporation Limited Employees.

6) The Managing Director, A.P. State Housing Corporation Limited, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJAY JAIN
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Badri Tarachand, Executive Engineer (now retired), Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited, formerly at Kakinada Division, East Godavari District **Through** the Managing Director, A.P. State Housing Corporation Limited, Autonagar, Vijayawada.
The Managing Director, A.P. State Housing Corporation Limited, Autonagar, Vijayawada.

Copy to:-
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, 2nd Floor, NTR Administrative Block, Pandit Nehru Bus Station, Vijayawada-520001.
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (Housing).
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SECTION OFFICER